# AGENDA

## Commission for Higher Education

#### **COMMISSION MEETING**

Weston Plaza Hotel-Convention Center Regency I Room 2725 Cassopolis Street Elkhart, Indiana 46514 (219) 264-7502

#### Thursday, September 7, 1995

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    - 2. Vincennes University
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- III. ADJOURNMENT -- Approximately 5:00 p.m.

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The next meeting of the Commission will be on October 12-13, 1995, in Northwest Indiana

## State of Indiana Commission for Higher Education

#### **Minutes of the Meeting**

## September 7, 1995 Thursday

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Commission for Higher Education met for a public hearing beginning at 3:05 p.m. in Elkhart, Indiana, with Vice Chairman Stephen Ferguson presiding.

*Members Present:* Mr. Karl Bandemer, Mr. Stephen Ferguson, Mr. Mark Gerstle, Dr. Arthur Hansen, Mr. Matthew Hopper, Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd, Ms. Patricia Lodyga, Ms. Nancy Ralston

*Members Absent:* Mr. Frederick Bauer, Dr. David Chube, Mr. John Garry, Mr. Vito Iovino, Dr. John Gottcent, Mr. Daniel Tuley

The following institutional presidents attended the hearing: President Steven Beering of Purdue University and President Phillip Summers of Vincennes University.

#### II. PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING ELKHART PROPOSALS

#### A. Overview of Proposals

1. Consortium -- Indiana University South Bend, Purdue University, and Ivy Tech State College (joint proposal)

President Steven Beering of Purdue University spoke on behalf of the three-institution Consortium regarding the joint proposal to expand postsecondary education opportunities in Elkhart County. He noted that each institution has a demonstrated history of providing education and services to Elkhart County and that together they offer 28 degree programs at the certificate, associate, baccalaureate, and masters degree levels. He added that nine programs have been approved by the Commission but not yet funded. Four additional degree programs are under development. Dr. Beering further explained that the Consortium plans to add to current services by creating a Independent Lifetime Learning Center. The Center will serve as the focal point for the expansion of student services, business and industry liaison, career and placement services, program promotion, needs assessment, continuing education and training, and telecommunications program delivery for the Elkhart community. The

center will be staffed by personnel specifically employed to serve these expansion functions and all institutions participating in the Consortium. Additionally, all institutions will continue to support their existing programs and services as well as participate in the Learning Center expansion. He said the community will also be asked to play a major role through a Community Advisory Board. The Board will help the institutions market the programs and services locally. Dr. Beering explained that the proposal received by the Commission sets forth a complete plan of work for the creation of the Lifetime Learning Center, the involvement of the community, and the expansion of opportunities. The proposed budget is an effort to make all of this happen in the current biennium. Goshen College has expressed a desire to participate, and he confirmed that the Consortium hopes to involve it. He welcomed the involvement of other institutions as well. The administration and coordination of the Consortium at the Lifetime Learning Center will be accomplished through an Administrative Council made up of the proposing institutions. The coordinating institution and fiscal agent would be selected by the council members using the model for the Southcentral Indiana Consortium.

Mr. Stephen Ferguson, vice chairman of the Commission, asked for current enrollment figures for the 28 courses currently offered for the number of South Bend/Elkhart residents enrolled in these courses. Dr. Les Lamon, acting chancellor of Indiana University South Bend (IUSB), responded that while exact figures for all three institutions were not available. Enrollment for Fall 1994 was approximately 2,200 enrollees in credit programs. In addition, approximately 2,500 - 3,000 students were enrolled in non-credit programs. He added that approximately 20 percent of the enrollment at IUSB comes from Elkhart County. IUSB does not separate its enrollment figures according to students who take their courses in Elkhart from those who take their courses in South Bend; however, enrollment at the Elkhart facility is approximately 1,000 students per semester.

Commissioner Stan Jones asked how the proposal guarantees a net increase in students and not a relocation of students who had been attending the South Bend campus. Dr. Lamon replied that the Consortium will avoid duplicating courses and try to identify new programs.

Responding to a question from Commission member Dr. Arthur Hansen regarding the distance learning technology to be used, Dr. Lamon stated that a full-time faculty member could lead a course on an alternating basis between the South Bend campus and the Elkhart site. While that faculty member is present on one of those sites, there will be a teaching assistant at the other site using fully interactive, two-way audio/video.

## 2. Vincennes University

President Phillip Summers, Vincennes University (VU), began his presentation by reviewing the university's statewide mission and its open door admission policy. He listed VU's off-campus sites (the Jasper Center in

Jasper, Indiana; Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis; and, the Aviation Technology Center at Indianapolis International Airport) and noted that there are partnerships at each site. Purdue University (through IHETS), Indiana State University, and the University of Southern Indiana offer upper division courses at the Jasper Center; Ball State University offers programs at Fort Benjamin Harrison; and, although VU was chosen as the lead institution of the Aviation Technology Center, Purdue University and Indiana State University have space in that facility. He said partnerships are important to VU.

Dr. Summers recognized Representative Phillip Warner for his efforts in the legislature to obtain state funds for the Elkhart project. He also introduced Mr. Byron Bond, dean of extended instructional services for VU, who has the responsibility for the Elkhart outreach project. Mr. Bond called attention to an article which appeared in the September 7 evening edition of The Elkhart Truth newspaper comparing the Consortium and VU proposals. Although there were many similarities, he pointed out six key differences: (1.) Inclusion - support for the VU proposal does not preclude the proposal offered by the Consortium. He said VU believes that providing educational services in Elkhart County is a large enough task that it will be necessary to have the services of VU, Purdue University, Indiana University South Bend, Goshen College, and other interested institutions. The citizens of Elkhart County would be served better by combined resources (2.) Access - along with VU's open door admission policy, and the inclusion of partnerships, all students will have the opportunity for postsecondary education; (3.) Service - VU intends to be pro-active in providing services and counseling; (4.) Accountability - the fact that VU was invited by various members of the Elkhart community to submit a proposal attests to their accountability. They would expect to continue by invitation. He said VU is accountable not only to the Commission for Higher Education but also to the county that is supporting them; (5.) Cost effectiveness - VU has a sound history of being cost-effective. He pointed out that the studies done by Commission staff demonstrated that the Ft. Harrison operation is the most cost-effective in the state; and, (6.) Partnerships - not only with other postsecondary providers but also with businesses and industries. For example, it is important to have a partnership with an industry that will allow an institution to use the industry's equipment during down-time to provide onsite instruction.

President Summers asked Dr. Steward Baylor, director of the Elkhart Career Center, to speak to the issue of partnership. Dr. Baylor stated that many institutions have been invited to offer programs at the Career Center. He believes it takes a variety of programs to meet the variety of needs students have and that no one institution can fill all of these needs. Two years ago the Career Center began offering the first Law Enforcement program, at the secondary level, in the State of Indiana through a partnership with VU. There are currently 18 students in the dual credit program. Upon availability, adults are allowed to attend day classes. This year, he added, they have formed a partnership with VU in graphic arts,

radio, and television. He praised all of the institutions which currently offer programs in Elkhart County, especially Purdue University Statewide Technology programs. The Career Center shares facilities, equipment, and some personnel with Purdue. He said there are too many residents who are not attending the institutions that currently offer programs in Elkhart, and the community sees VU as an attractive alternative. He proposes offering different opportunities instead of more of the same.

President Summers described Picture-Tel, a two-way interactive television/telephone hook-up which Vincennes University brought to Elkhart. He mentioned that he used it to teach a class at Vincennes earlier in the day. He said Crown International Industries will be using this distance education approach to receive business courses. He quoted a paragraph from a booklet published by The Learning Society, a local group concerned with educational issues in the area, which said, "Vincennes University is initiating courses designed to attract students who before might not have considered post-secondary education and to provide custom-designed programs not otherwise available for businesses." He said that, in response to the community leaders' needs, this is VU's intent and goal.

Mr. Stephen Ferguson, Commission member, asked what group of students would find access under VU's proposal. Dr. Summers replied that they would be students who have not been adequately prepared in high school for post-secondary education, those who were prepared but have not seen the opportunity for higher education, and those who are currently employed and wish to expand their education.

#### **B.** Community Comment

Commission members heard testimony from many individuals from the Elkhart community. They included local legislators, executives from Elkhart businesses and industries, educators from the local school districts, representatives from the local radio and television stations, a hospital administrator, and private individuals. Executives from the area industries said that, due to the lack of skilled workers in the Elkhart area, employees must be brought in from the outside. Due to the technical nature of many of the businesses in Elkhart, such as the recreational vehicle industry, they feel VU best fits the needs of the workforce. Some of the speakers raised concerns about VU being able to provide services at a lower cost given their distance from Elkhart. A few speakers felt that state tax dollars would be better spent expanding the programs and services already being provided. Several felt that, although Purdue University, Indiana University South Bend, and Ivy Tech State College have been offering programs in the area for the past 25 years and that the number of population with degrees is still poor, it is time for a change. Others felt the addition of the VU programs would enhance the technical opportunities currently offered by the Consortium, but that it is also important to have higher level programs available. There were those concerned with services available to the many Spanish-speaking residents of the area, many who need cultural

training and life skills as well as higher education. They feel Vincennes will best fit those needs also.

#### C. NEW BUSINESS

Noting that Chairman G. Patrick Hoehn would not serve another term on the Commission, Vice Chairman Stephen Ferguson asked Commission member Patricia Lodyga to reconvene the Commission's Nominating Committee for purposes of proposing a new slate of offices for 1995-96.

# III. ADJOURNMENT -- 5:00 p.m.

# State of Indiana Commission for Higher Education

## **Minutes of the Meeting**

## September 8, 1995 Friday

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Commission for Higher Education met in regular session beginning at 9:35 a.m. in Elkhart, Indiana, with Vice Chairman Stephen Ferguson presiding.

#### II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

*Members Present:* Mr. Karl Bandemer, Dr. David Chube, Mr. Stephen Ferguson, Mr. John Garry, Jr., Mr. Mark Gerstle, Dr. John Gottcent, Dr. Arthur Hansen, Mr. Matthew Hopper, Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd, Ms. Patricia Lodyga, Ms. Nancy Ralston

Members Absent: Mr. Frederick Bauer, Mr. Vito Iovino, Mr. Daniel Tuley

The following institutional presidents attended the meeting: President Phillip Summers of Vincennes University and President John Worthen of Ball State University.

#### III. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Stan Jones announced that both the Elkhart and the Purdue Calumet lease issues would be discussion items only at this meeting but that they will be decision items at the October Commission meeting. He added that the State Budget Committee meeting will be held one week after the Commission meeting and that these items will be on their agenda. Budget Committee meetings and Commission meetings had been meeting simultaneously in the past, he said, but in the future Commission meetings will precede Budget Committee meetings so Commission actions will be eligible for their agenda.

# IV. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST COMMISSION MEETING

**R-95-8.1 RESOLVED:** That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Minutes of the August Commission meeting. (Motion-Gerstle, second-Hopper, unanimously approved)

Vice Chairman Stephen Ferguson recognized and welcomed Mr. John R. Garry, Jr. as a new Commission member.

Ms. Patricia Lodyga, Commission member, read a resolution honoring Mr. G. Patrick Hoehn.

**WHEREAS** G. Patrick Hoehn was appointed to the Commission in 1991, and

**WHEREAS** Mr. Hoehn served with distinction an the Commission's Chairman for the years 1993-94 and 1994-95, and

**WHEREAS** Mr. Hoehn previously served on the State Board of Education and other public bodies, and

**WHEREAS** Mr. Hoehn contributed effectively to many topics and issues confronting Indiana postsecondary education, including measuring productivity, enhancing distance education, and expanding services to additional students in new locations, and

**WHEREAS** Mr. Hoehn's term of appointment ended in July of this year, and

**WHEREAS** the Commission and its staff will greatly miss Mr. Hoehn's leadership and enthusiasm, and

**WHEREAS** the Commission now desires to call attention to Mr. Hoehn's years of service and his many accomplishments,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Commission for Higher Education that it expresses deep appreciation to Mr. Hoehn for his service to the state and to the Commission, and that it commends him for his exemplary leadership as Chairman.

**R-95-8.2 RESOLVED:** That the Commission for Higher Education expresses deep appreciation to Mr. Hoehn for his service to the state and to the Commission, and that it commends him for his exemplary leadership as Chairman. (Motion - Lodyga, second - Hansen, unanimously approved)

#### V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

## A. Region 2 Workforce Partnership Plan

Workforce Partnership Plans are mandated under Public Law 19. The Law requires that school corporations, two and four year public postsecondary institutions, area vocational centers, and workforce development offices join together in regionally sensible partnerships.

Ms. Wendy Togneri, program officer, explained that as a result of this mandate, four counties in north central Indiana—Marshall, Elkhart, St. Joseph, and Kosciusko—formed such a partnership and formulated a Workforce Partnership Plan in December 1994. Identified as the Region 2 Workforce Partnership area, the four counties have been at work over the last nine months to carry out a variety of tasks to increase the skills of traditional and non-traditional age students and to create a stronger awareness and understanding both of labor market trends and employer needs. Day-to-day work has been charged to the regional workforce development center, while the broader work and decisions are conducted by a steering committee and several task forces. To achieve its goals Region 2 will cultivate partnerships, conduct surveys, analyze data, and issue status reports.

Ms. Togneri introduced Ms. Barbara Dodson, planning and community director, of Workforce Development Services of Northern Indiana. Ms. Dodson explained the goals of the Partnership Area over the next two years. First, the Partnership will analyze local labor market needs and provide information to all of the partners every other year. A second goal is to identify partnership programs and services by developing a clearing-house of all programs and facilitate more collaborative projects. A Regional Consortium will be established to provide staff training to the partners in education, business and general public in the use of a Career Information Center's services. Infrastructure is being set up for articulation pathways between all levels of education. There will be a certification advisory board to monitor the process. Ms. Dodson said one of the hardest goals to accomplish will be to identify available resources and their utilization. The Partnership will develop a system to provide rapid response for incoming industries needing a prepared workforce, form a regional board to monitor the use and availability of facilities and equipment to ensure effective utilization, and expand articulation agreements among partners.

Commission member Dr. Arthur Hansen questioned what progress might be made in providing on-site education in local businesses and industries and what procedure would be used. Ms. Dodson stated that studies done in the past two years in Elkhart County show a willingness to offer training at the managerial/administrative level but nothing at the front line worker level. She noted that to accomplish such a goal there needs to be a better connection between the universities and businesses. Mr. Stephen Ferguson, Commission member, asked, in terms of delivery, what would be considered the greatest need for educational services in this region. Ms. Dodson's replied that a program addressing varied learning styles was necessary.

# B. Project Design for an Assessment of Southeastern Indiana's Electronic Campus

Dr. Karen Rasmussen, associate Commissioner for policy and planning studies, explained that this is the second year of an experimental electronic campus in

Southeastern Indiana. The first year's experience showed less enrollment and participation than had been expected. Under the proposed project design, the state would contract with an external consultant for an assessment of Southeastern Indiana's instructional needs and electronic campus operations and help in matching the needs of the communities with available services. She said the report would be completed by the end of 1995. A report would then be presented to the Commission to discuss appropriate next steps in making recommendations to the General Assembly concerning distance education.

Dr. John Gottcent, Commission member, commended the idea of conducting an independent survey to determine the needs of Southeastern Indiana. However, he thinks the first year's experience of the electronic campus may be a warning that distance education, simply because the technology is available, may not always be the right solution. In its present form, he said it doesn't appear that distance education is the solution to Southeastern Indiana's problem.

#### C. 1995 Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Results

Each year the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is administered to more than one million postsecondary-bound high school juniors and seniors across the nation. Colleges and universities routinely request SAT scores on application forms. For most school corporations in Indiana, the SAT is the college admission test of choice. Also in Indiana, a comparatively high percentage of students take the test. For all these reasons, SAT scores may be viewed as indicators of both intent to pursue and preparedness for postsecondary education.

Each student who takes the SAT is asked to complete a Student Descriptive Questionnaire. Completed questionnaires provide information about the academic preparation and socioeconomic status of test takers. These data are then published along with test results on a state-by-state basis.

Dr. Karen Rasmussen presented a summarized report of these data. She said that while Indiana mean scores continue to rise, they rose less in 1994-95 that mean scores rose nationally. Although the number of Indiana students who took the SAT increased, the number of African American SAT takers declined. While more Indiana SAT takers took rigorous academic courses, they have not yet matched the course-taking patterns of their peers.

Dr. David Chube, Commission member, asked if it is expected that the implementation of Core 40 would not only increase the number of students taking the SAT but also increase the scores. Dr. Rasmussen replied that studies indicate that students who take three years instead of two of rigorous math and science generally have higher SAT scores. She added that the students affected by Core 40 are this year's sophomores, therefore, it will be another one to two years until they will be taking the SAT and for the state to see the results of those scores.

Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd, Commission member, voiced her concern over the decline of African-American SAT takers. She asked if we have any information as to

why this is happening. Dr. Rasmussen replied no. However, she attended a meeting recently at which the new Superintendent of Schools for the Indianapolis public schools system, Dr.. Zendejas spoke. Dr. Zendejas reported that she hopes to transform expectations of students across the system. In her review of each school, she found that there were schools in the district in which almost no one was encouraged to take the SAT, which is not acceptable. Dr. Rasmussen said our goal is to have all students approach the SAT as part of their high school experience.

Dr. John Gottcent reminded the Commission that, although the SAT score is important, it is only one determination of a student's ability or potential to succeed and that is taken into consideration for admission to college. He feels the student's class rank is a more reliable indication of potential success in college.

#### D. Purdue University Calumet South Lake County Facility Lease

Dr. James Yackel, chancellor of Purdue University Calumet (PUC), said that two years ago Purdue University, along with Indiana University Northwest (IUN), presented a proposal to lease classroom space in south Lake County. The Commission approved the proposal but it was never acted upon by the State Budget Committee. He said the need for leasing classroom space is more urgent than it was two years ago. The main difference in the current proposal is the expansion to include other postsecondary education institutions in Northwest Indiana, depending on space availability. Purdue is still requesting that it be appointed as the fiscal agent and that Indiana University Northwest have the option to participate as a full partner. He said the basis of the proposal is to provide increased access to postsecondary education to the citizens of Northwest Indiana. Dr. Yackel introduced Dr. Hilda Richards, chancellor of IUN. Dr. Richards said that although she had just begun her position as chancellor two years ago and was unfamiliar with the needs of Northwest Indiana, she supported the proposal because she felt it would benefit her campus and its future. After two years as chancellor, she is more strongly in favor of the proposal. She called the Commission member's attention to the Memo of Understanding between PUC and IUN. Although PUC and IUN are competitive, she is confident the two campuses can collaborate. Dr. Richards feels it is necessary for the success of both campuses to reach out farther to the potential student body.

Mr. Karl Bandemer, Commission member, asked what area the Merrillville facility is intended to serve. Chancellor Yackel responded that its intent is to provide access to the citizens who work and live approximately 20-25 miles southeast of PUC. Mr. Bandemer pointed out that because Merrillville is located approximately 5 miles from the IUN campus he wondered why the area is not considered served. He asked if students could take their introductory courses at IUN and then transfer to PUC if necessary. Dr. Yackel responded that they could. Unless PUC offered some unique courses that students could not obtain from IUN, Mr. Bandemer questioned the need of the satellite campus.

Dr. David Chube said the satellite campus would be more a matter of convenience than a necessity. Because Merrillville is already in IUN's territory, the facility would more outreach for PUC than for IUN. Most students in the area currently attend IUN because of the convenient location. He said that in conversations with Gary area leadership most are not in favor of PUC being named the fiscal agent of the lease. These leaders would be in favor of it if there were a 50-50 partnership between PUC and IUN. They also think the name include both universities. Dr. Chube's opinion is that the facility should not be a degree granting facility; only the first two years of courses should be offered by both institutions. Mr. Bandemer disagreed with the idea of a satellite campus merely for convenience. Dr. Yackel intervened by saying that the need for the facility goes beyond convenience. He explained that PUC is currently at full capacity. They are offering evening classes at Crown Point High School and cannot expand programs due to parking problems. He said more classroom space is needed during the day. This facility would allow them to expand daytime classes as well as have a consolidated evening program. He added that the facility will not be considered a campus; it is simply a classroom facility and could be turned back into office space if necessary.

Mr. Mark Gerstle, Commission member, asked if they have enrollment projections for new students or will the student enrollment be students who are driving elsewhere. Dr. Yackel called attention to the Enrollment Forecast table on page 43 of the agenda which projects an additional FTE of 480 for Fall 1996. By having students from PUC attend this facility, it will free up classroom space and provide greater access for students who live in the northern part of Lake County.

Mr. Stephen Ferguson asked if headcount for Fall 1995 increased at both PUC and IUN. Dr. Yackel reported PUC's headcount had less than a one percent decrease while credit hour generation was down approximately one-tenth of a percent. Dr. Richards reported IUN's headcount being down six percent and credit hour generation is down 4.8%.

State Representative James Conlon, from the 19th District which includes Crown Point, Lowell, Hebron, and Lakes of the Four Season, passed along the concerns of his younger constituents who are very much in favor of this facility. Due to the traffic congestion of the area, distance isn't as much the concern as travel time. He said that we may not be able to reduce tuition costs for the students but we could make obtaining an education more convenient for them.

Dr. William Kramer, vice president of planning and education at Ivy Tech State College (ITSC), rose to say their institution would be interested in offering classes if the facility, and space within it, should become available. He reminded the Commission members that they approved this past year the relocation of their ITSC-Hammond campus to East Chicago. He reported that enrollments in that region are up for the first time in five years, which they attribute to East Chicago enrollments.

Mr. James Metros, mayor of Crown Point, came forward and read a resolution recently adopted by the City Council. It stated that

- **"WHEREAS** Purdue University Calumet desires to establish a classroom facility in the Merrillville, Indiana area, and
- **WHEREAS** approximately 30% of Purdue University Calumet students reside south of U.S. Highway 30, and
- **WHEREAS** Purdue University Calumet's campus has been at capacity for several years,
- **WHEREAS** more students from this area would be able to avail themselves of a college education with closer classrooms,
- NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED by the common Council that the establishment of a Merrillville area classroom facility of Purdue University Calumet should be and is hereby supported in being in the best interest of the city and its residents." Adopted the 5th day of September, 1995.

Mayor Metros confirmed Dr. Chube's comment on Merrillville being one of the fastest growing areas in the State of Indiana. He pointed out that Crown Point is the next exit south of Merrillville on I-65. They are in the process of annexing 4,500 acres, which is considered one of the most attractive development intersections in the state. Because a large majority of students from the area are non-traditional students, he feels it is important for universities to become as service-oriented as possible. In conclusion, Mayor Metros said he gives speeches at the area high schools, and awards scholarships from his campaign funds to encourage students to continue their education.

Mr. John Janic, executive director of the Merrillville Chamber of Commerce, commented that he is a graduate of both PUC and IUN. He believes a joint venture at Merrillville between these campuses can only be a win-win situation. Even though citizens are involved in family and work, they also want to obtain an education. Education must be convenient and customer oriented.

Referring to a letter from Representative Charlie Brown which raised a concern that the facility would lead to a racially segregated campus, Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd asked how the Commission should respond to that issue. Dr. Yackel said that the only university in the State of Indiana with more minority students than PUC is IUPU Indianapolis. He mentioned that approximately 15% of the high school enrollment in the Merrillville area are African-Americans. He added that PUC currently serves approximately 600 undergraduate students from Gary (which is 90% African-American) and that Merrillville would be as convenient, if not more convenient, for students in that area.

# E. Project Design on the Implementation of the Indiana Core 40 Curriculum

In February, 1994, the State Board of Education and the Commission for Higher Education jointly adopted a plan for improving the fit between high school and college. The central part of this plan is what has come to be called Indiana Core 40. Core 40 is a program of study that will be expected of all students seeking admission to Indiana postsecondary institutions who begin high school in or after the fall of 1994. The four-year institutions will expect students to have taken Core 40 in order to be considered for admission; the two-year institutions will not require Core 40 but are committed to recommending it. Dr. Karen Rasmussen reviewed the purpose of Core 40, its objectives, and described the action plan for 1995-96.

Mr. Karl Bandemer questioned the action plan presented in the agenda item and asked to what extent the universities are involved in reinforcing Core 40. Dr. Rasmussen responded that the original plan was drafted by an institutional advisory committee, with the Commission acting as a catalyst. That committee has been reconstituted to address the problem of conflicting messages expressed by the Counselors Association. The committee, along with the Board of Education, has met with high school counselors and the public institutions to review public information received in the past eighteen months. She sees no signs of the original committee members being less committed than they were when the original plan was drafted.

Dr. Hansen asked about the correlation between Core 40 and state financial aid. Dr. Rasmussen stated that financial aid doesn't become an issue until the second semester of the student's senior year and by that time they would have already complete seven semesters of the Core 40 curriculum.

Dr. Richard Wells, provost and vice president of academic affairs at Indiana State University, came forward to express his support of Core 40. He thinks there needs to be improved communication between the high schools and the institutions to make Core 40 more effective.

#### VI. DECISION ITEMS

#### A. Academic Degree Programs

1. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Health Services Management to be Offered by Indiana University in Gary, South Bend, and Fort Wayne

Dr. William Ludwin, assistant dean of the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, requested that the approval for the B.S. in Health Services Management program, currently offered only at the Indianapolis campus, be extended to Gary, South Bend, and Fort Wayne. The main objective is

to provide baccalaureate-level professional education in management and administration for students who currently hold associate degrees in the allied health care area.

R-95-8.3 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management to be offered by Indiana University in Gary, South Bend, and Fort Wayne, in accordance with the background discussion in the agenda item and the *Abstract*, August 25, 1995; and

That the Commission consider recommending new state funds during a future budget cycle, in accordance with the supporting document, *New Academic Degree Program Proposal Summary*, August 25, 1995. (motion - Hansen, second - Bandemer, unanimously approved)

2. Master of Arts in Executive Development and Public Service To Be Offered by Ball State University in Indianapolis and Connersville

Action on this item was deferred at Ball State University's request.

3. Master of Arts in Adult Education To Be Offered by Ball State University in Indianapolis.

Action on this item was deferred at Ball State University's request.

 Master of Arts (M.A.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Linguistics To Be Offered by Purdue University West Lafayette in West Lafayette

Dr. Robert Ringel, executive vice president of academic affairs at Purdue University, requested approval of the M.A. and Ph.D. in Linguistics. He remarked that linguistics is no longer simply symbols and expression but has advanced to include the relationship of machine to humans and vice versa. When the proposal was initially received, Dr. Ken Sauer said that Commission staff were skeptical. However, after further research and meetings with Purdue representatives, the staff concluded that the proposed program strengthened and contributed in unique, interdisciplinary ways to the research mission of the University. The interdisciplinary character of linguistics at the West Lafayette campus is reflected in the number and variety of other fields of science and technology with which linguistics has interacted, including computer science, artificial intelligence, industrial engineering, rehabilitation of speech disorders, American Sign Language, and the acquisition and development of language in children. The University estimates that more than \$3.5 million in

external support for research related to linguistics has been received by the West Lafayette campus.

Dr. Arthur Hansen asked how the curriculum of the Ph.D. in Linguistics would promote interdisciplinary research. Dr. Ringel explained that the curriculum allows students from various areas of studies such as mechanical engineering and computer science to learn the semantic nature of linguistics.

Since Indiana University and Ball State University currently offer graduate degrees in linguistics, Dr. John Gottcent questioned the need for more than two Masters and one Ph.D. in Linguistics programs in the state. Dr. Ringel responded that although Indiana University has a linguistics program they do not offer electrical and mechanical engineering, which allows Purdue to foster unique areas of interdisciplinary areas.

**R-95-8.4 RESOLVED:** That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics to be offered by Purdue University West Lafayette in West Lafayette, in accordance with the background discussion in the agenda item *Abstract*, August 25, 1995; and

That the Commission recommend no new state funds, in accordance with the supporting document, *New Academic Degree Program Proposal Summary*, August 25, 1995. (motion - Lodyga, second - Gottcent, unanimously approved)

# B. University of Southern Indiana Construction of Student Housing Residence Buildings

Mr. Richard Schmidt, vice president of business affairs at the University of Southern Indiana (USI), requested approval of the construction of three student residence buildings, in the same style as the existing units, to house an additional 192 students. He said USI didn't anticipate the increased enrollment for Fall 1995; therefore, the University has experienced a significant shortage of housing. Accordingly, apartments which were intended to house four students are temporarily housing five. They project that the demand for student housing will continue to increase over the next five years.

Mr. Karl Bandemer questioned the cost of the units. Mr. Schmidt replied that, due to the type of building materials used, these units cost less than half that of the normal multi-story style dormitories. If enrollment should decrease to the point they weren't needed, they could be sold as family housing. Dr. Judith Palmer, chief financial officer of planning and finance management at Indiana University, rose to add that student demand in housing has changed since the construction of the multi-level dormitories of the 1950's and 60's.

Students want the apartment atmosphere. She predicts that future requests by all the public universities for housing will be of this type.

**R-95-8.5 RESOLVED:** That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee approval of the project *University of Southern Indiana Construction of Student Housing Residence Buildings*, as described in the project description and staff analysis dated August 28, 1995. (motion - Bandemer, second - Gerstle, unanimously approved)

### C. Proposal to Serve South Central Indiana

Mr. William Schrader, chairman of the South Central Indiana Educational Association (the Association), spoke in support of the proposal submitted by the Association and the South Central Indiana Educational Alliance (the Alliance) to expand educational services and opportunities in South Central Indiana. This includes the establishment of an area learning center in Bedford, in cooperation with the Bedford-North Lawrence Area Vo-Tech Center, and an office to coordinate and promote activities in the region. He said the original idea, "if you build it they will come," didn't work. There needs to be more community, business, and industry involvement. He said their participation is more important than money. It is the responsibility of the Association to promote higher education in the region and improve business and industry involvement. He feels the approval of this proposal is vital to their success.

Mr. Timothy Franklin, assistant to the vice president of planning and budgets at Indiana State University, spoke on behalf of the Alliance, a partnership of nine postsecondary campuses, and voiced support for the proposal before the Commission. Mr. Franklin acknowledged individuals who had worked on the project and described how the Alliance would work together with the Association to meet the needs of the community.

Dr. Sauer stated, in order to be consistent with the funding of postsecondary education in Indiana, the Commission staff recommends the Memorandum of Understanding be modified to have Indiana State University as the fiscal agent for the project. This modification has been discussed with representatives from the Association.

R-95-8.6 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee that funds to support expansion of postsecondary instructional opportunities in South central Indiana be allocated to Indiana State

University, in accordance with the Management of Expanded Educational Services in South Central Indiana: A Memorandum of Understanding, August 11, 1995, and the background discussion in the agenda item. (motion - Chube, second - Ralston, unanimously approved)

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Nominating Committee Report

Ms. Patricia Lodyga nominated Mr. Stephen Ferguson as Chairman of the Commission, Dr. Arthur Hansen as Vice Chairman, and Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd as Secretary, as recommended by the Committee of Ms. Patricia Lodyga, Dr. David Chube, and Mr. Vito Iovino. Mr. Matthew Hopper made a motion to unanimously accept the Committee's recommendation.

R-95-8.7 RESOLVED: That the members of the Commission do hereby elect Mr. Stephen Ferguson as Chairman, Dr. Arthur Hansen as Vice Chairman, and Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd as Secretary of the Commission for Higher Education.

(motion - Hopper, second - Gottcent, unanimously approved)

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Commission will be held October 12-13, 1995 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Stephen Ferguson, Chairman
Daisy Riley Lloyd, Secretary

# State of Indiana Commission for Higher Education

# Resolutions

# September 8, 1995

Resolution <u>Number</u>	Resolution	Action
R-95-8.1	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Minutes of the August Commission meeting. (Motion-Gerstle, second-Hopper, unanimously approved)	Approved
R-95-8.2	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Commission for Higher Education expresses deep appreciation to Mr. Hoehn for his service to the state and to the Commission, and that it commends him for his exemplary leadership as Chairman. (Motion - Lodyga, second - Hansen, unanimously approved)	Approved
R-95-8.3	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management to be offered by Indiana University in Gary, South Bend, and Fort Wayne, in accordance with the background discussion in the agenda item and the <i>Abstract</i> , August 25, 1995; and	Approved
	That the Commission consider recommending new state funds during a future budget cycle, in accordance with the supporting document, <i>New Academic Degree Program Proposal Summary</i> , August 25, 1995. (motion - Hansen, second - Bandemer, unanimously approved)	
R-95-8.4	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics to be offered by Purdue University West Lafayette in West Lafayette, in accordance with the background discussion in the agenda item <i>Abstract</i> , August 25, 1995; and	Approved
	That the Commission recommend no new state funds, in accordance with the supporting document, <i>New Academic Degree Program</i>	

*Proposal Summary*, August 25, 1995. (motion - Lodyga, second - Gottcent, unanimously approved)

R-95-8.5 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee approval of the project *University of Southern Indiana Construction of Student Housing Residence Buildings*, as described in the project description and staff analysis dated August 28, 1995.

Approved

(**BOB** - do I need to add something here about a future budget cycle?) (motion - Bandemer, second - Gerstle, unanimously approved)

R-95-8.6 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee that funds to support expansion of postsecondary instructional opportunities in South central Indiana be allocated to Indiana State University, in accordance with the Management of Expanded Educational Services in South Central Indiana: A Memorandum of Understanding, August 11, 1995, and the background discussion in the agenda item. (motion - Chube, second - Ralston, unanimously approved)

**Approved** 

R-95-8.7 RESOLVED: That the members of the Commission do hereby elect Mr. Stephen Ferguson as Chairman, Dr. Arthur Hansen as Vice Chairman, and Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd as Secretary of the Commission for Higher Education. (motion - Hopper, second - Gottcent, unanimously approved)

**Approved**